



SBA DISASTER NEWS

Federal Disaster Loans for Homeowners, Renters and Businesses of All Sizes

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SBA ECONOMIC INJURY DISASTER LOAN DEADLINE APPROACHING FOR DISASTER VICTIMS

FORT WORTH, TX -- Businesses in some Nebraska, Colorado, Kansas, South Dakota, and Wyoming counties have until **March 15, 2004** to file applications for low-interest disaster loans from the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA). The SBA's Economic Injury Disaster Loans are available for businesses dependent on farmers and ranchers sustaining crop losses due to drought, extreme heat, grasshopper infestation, and high winds that occurred January 1, 2002, and continuing. Farmers and ranchers are not eligible for these SBA loans. However, nurseries that are victims of drought disasters can apply. Businesses in the following counties are eligible to apply:

Nebraska:

Adams	Clay	Grant	Kimball	Rock
Antelope	Custer	Greeley	Knox	Scotts Bluff
Arthur	Dawes	Hall	Lincoln	Sheridan
Banner	Dawson	Hamilton	Logan	Sherman
Blaine	Deuel	Harlan	Loup	Sioux
Boone	Dundy	Hayes	McPherson	Thayer
Box Butte	Fillmore	Hitchcock	Merrick	Thomas
Boyd	Franklin	Holt	Morrill	Valley
Brown	Frontier	Hooker	Nance	Webster
Buffalo	Furnas	Howard	Nuckolls	Wheeler
Chase	Garden	Kearney	Perkins	
Cherry	Garfield	Keith	Phelps	
Cheyenne	Gosper	Keya Paha	Red Willow	

Colorado:

Logan	Phillips	Sedgwick	Weld	Yuma
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Kansas:

Cheyenne	Jewell	Phillips	Republic
Decatur	Norton	Rawlins	Smith

South Dakota:

Bennett	Fall River	Shannon	Tripp
Charles Mix	Gregory	Todd	

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Wyoming:

Goshen

Laramie

Niobrara

Applications and further information can be obtained by calling the SBA toll-free at 1-800-366-6303 or TDD 817-267-4688 for the hearing impaired.

These loans are intended to assist businesses in offsetting working capital losses which they suffered as a result of the severe weather reducing the crop income of the area farmers and ranchers. Small businesses claiming to have been physically injured by the disaster are not eligible.

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For more information about the SBA Disaster Loan Programs, visit our website at www.sba.gov/disaster.